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FM AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6082

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

AMEMBASSY MANILA

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY BONN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREF

SUBJ: INDOCHINESE BOAT CASES - REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

REF: STATE 213600

1. THE FOLLOWING REPORT IS SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL.

2. TOTAL BOAT CASE POPULATION CURRENTLY IN COUNTRY -- 22  
NOT LANDED.

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A. NUMBER ACCEPTED UNDER EPP - NONE

B. NUMBER QUALIFIED UNDER EPP - UNKNOWN DUE GOS FIRM STAND OF UNCONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE BEFORE ALLOWING REFUGEES TO DIS-EMBARC.

C. SINCE SHIP CARRYING REFUGEES IS OF AUSTRALIAN REGISTRY, GOA HAS AUTHORIZED ACCEPTANCE OF ALL 22 PENDING SCREENING BY AUSTRALIAN HICOM STAFF HERE. HICOM OFFICER HAS INFORMED US THAT AN UNCONDITIONAL LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE TO ALLOW REFUGEES TO DISEMBARK WILL BE DELIVERED TO GOS FOLLOWING INTERVIEWS.

3. NAME OF BOAT - LADY CYNTHIA

A. NUMBER ARRIVED ON BOAT - 22

(I) REMAINING IN COUNTRY - NONE

ACCEPTED UNDER EPP - NONE

B. QUALIFIED UNDER EPP BUT NO NUMBER ASSIGNED - UNKNOWN FOR ALL CATEGORIES.

C. NUMBER ACCEPTED BY THIRD COUNTRIES - 22

D. OTHER - NONE

(II) NUMBER DEPARTED - NONE

A. TO U.S. - NONE

B. TO THIRD COUNTRIES - DEPARTURE TO AUSTRALIA IS PENDING.

C. CASES SPECIFICALLY RECOMMENDED FOR U.S. IMMIGRATION BY POST WITH BIO CABLE NUMBER - NONE.

4. POST COMMENTS

A. THE GOS MAINTAINS AN UNCHANGING STAND IN NOT ALLOWING REFUGEES TO LAND WITHOUT ABSOLUTE GUARANTEES OF ACCEPTANCE BY OTHER COUNTRIES. INDICATIONS ARE THAT UNHCR APPEAL WILL HAVE NO EFFECT.

B. THIRD COUNTRY ACTION IS NEGLIGIBLE AND ONLY BECOMES EVIDENT WHEN SHIPS OWNED OR REGISTERED BY A THIRD COUNTRY ARE INVOLVED. WHEN UNHCR REP SCREENS REFUGEES AND REFERS SOME CASES TO THIRD COUNTRIES, ACTION IS USUALLY STYMIED BY THEIR INABILITY TO OFFER SUITABLE GUARANTEE TO HOST GOVERNMENT. SINCE SAILING SCHEDULES INVARIABLY LIMIT TIME AVAILABLE FOR PROCESSING, SHIPS ARE REQUIRED TO SAIL WITH REFUGEES STILL ON BOARD.

C. EMBASSY HAS CO-ORDINATED RESPONSES TO REFUGEE PROBLEMS WITH UNHCR REP SAMPATKUMAR WHEN HE IS IN SINGAPORE AND ON OTHER OCCASIONS WITH HIM OR UNHCR OFFICIAL AT KUALA LUMPUR. THIRD COUNTRIES OTHER THAN FRANCE APPEAR TO HAVE LITTLE OR NO INTEREST IN COORDINATING RESPONSE WITH UNHCR EXCEPT AS MENTIONED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN PARA 4-B.

D. REPORTING PROBLEMS. INFORMATION IS GENERALLY FURNISHED BY SHIPPING AGENTS OR UNHCR SOURCES. ALTHOUGH ACCESSIBILITY TO REFUGEES ON BOARD VESSELS IS GRANTED FREELY BY GOS (NORMALLY THROUGH INTERCESSION OF UNHCR) SAILING SCHEDULES USUALLY LIMIT TIME ALLOWED TO PROCESS CASES THUS PREVENTING GUARANTEE TO GOS OF ACCEPTANCE. UNLESS IN UNLIKELY EVENT GOS RELAXES FIRM STAND EMBASSY FORESEES NO NEED FOR ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO DEAL

WITH PROBLEM. HOLDRIDGE

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